

# Lakshmi Ramgopal

(Lykanthea)

## WEBSITE:

<http://lykanthea.com>

## ARTIST BIO:

Lakshmi Ramgopal is an electro-ambient musician who divides her time between Chicago, IL and Northampton, MA. She performs ambient electronic music under the moniker Lykanthea, and her live performances use improvisatory techniques drawn from Carnatic musical traditions to process vocals, synths, guitars, bells, and the *sruti* box. Her recorded music has received praise from *Noisey*, *Chicago Reader*, *Artribune*, *MTV Iggy*, and more. Her recent work includes the sound installation “Maalai” and the creation of multidisciplinary performances of song and dance through collaboration with movement and video artists.

## DISCOGRAPHY/RELEASES:

2014 *Migration*

## AWARDS AND GRANTS:

2014 Emeline Hill Richardson Rome Prize in Ancient Studies, American Academy in Rome

## NOTABLE PERFORMANCES:

- 2017 Museum of Contemporary Art Chicago, 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebrations, October  
Museum of Contemporary Art Chicago, “Self-Care as Warfare,” January
- 2016 Humanities Occult Conference, New York University, New York, February
- 2015 Wave Gotik Treffen, Leipzig, Germany, May

## EXHIBITIONS/INSTALLATIONS:

- 2018 “Maalai” (sound installation), *Reinterpreting Religion*, Ukrainian Institute of Modern Art, Chicago, IL
- 2017 “Maalai,” P.O.W.E.R. PROJECT, Comfort Station, Chicago, IL
- 2015 “Prex Gemina” (sound installation with Paula Matthusen), *Cinque Mostre*, American Academy in Rome

## EDUCATION:

- 2016 Ph.D., Classics, University of Chicago
- 2006 B.A., Classics, Northwestern University